

SILVERWINGS



"Back to the basics"

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Weather

 Today High: 73, Low: 40 50% T-Showers	 Saturday High: 55, Low: 28 Partly Cloudy/Windy
 Sunday High: 54, Low: 28 Sunny	 Monday High: 62, Low: 32 Sunny

News Briefs

Base Dialing Plan Change

Starting Nov. 17 the Columbus AFB dialing plan will be transitioned to a seven digit format. This is in compliance with AFI 33-111. To complete an intra base call, you will be required to first enter the 434 prefix followed by the four digit number to complete the call.

MDG Canned Food Drive

The 14th medical Group Booster Club is hosting a canned food drive. The dates to drop off donations are from now to Nov. 21 and Dec. 1 to Dec. 12. Donations can be dropped off at the Base Library, the Base Exchange, the Koritz Clinic lobby, the Chapel, the Bowling Alley, the Children Development Center and the Youth Center. For more information, please call Senior Airman Jennifer Callahan at 434-2411 or Airman 1st Class Bryant Johanson at 434-2167.

Inside



Feature 8

SUPT class 09-02 graduates today at 10 a.m. at the Kaye Auditorium.



U.S. Air Force photo by Elizabeth Owens

Senator Roger Wicker joined Columbus AFB officials for a ribbon cutting for phase one of the 14th Mission Support Group complex Nov. 12 at Columbus AFB. Justin Murphee, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Col. Roger Watkins, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, Col. Mark Brown, 14th Mission Support Group commander, and Lt. Col. Pete Ridilla, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron commander, join Senator Wicker for the formal ribbon cutting. The 35,000 square foot building took over two years to complete at a cost of \$9.98 million dollars.

Groundbreaking ceremony marks milestone for new 14th MSG

2nd Lt. Jeffrey Weger

14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

The groundbreaking and ribbon cutting ceremony for the new 14th Mission Support Group complex was held Wednesday.

The ceremony marked the culmination of the first phase of construction, which began in April 2007 and the beginning of phase two. The project has been a partnership between the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Army Corps of

Engineers.

In attendance were many local elected officials and dignitaries including Col. Roger Watkins, 14th Flying Training Wing commander and United States Senator Roger Wicker.

The ceremony has been over two years in the making. When finished, the latest addition to Columbus AFB will be a state of the art, environmentally-friendly facility built for conservation and efficiency. The building is Leaders in

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COLUMBUS AFB TRAINING TIMELINE

PHASE II				PHASE III				IFF				WING SORTIE BOARD			
Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Track Select	Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Graduation	Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Graduation	Aircraft	Required	Flown	Annual
37th (09-12)	10.05 day	8.81 days	Jan. 16	48th (09-02)	0.00 days	1.62 days	Nov. 14	49th (09-BB)	0.13 days	2.95 days	Nov. 17	T-6	1,033	692	3,715
41st (09-11)	4.85 days	0.51 days	Dec. 11	50th (09-02)	0.85 days	7.01 days	Nov. 14					T-1	349	378	1,458
												T-38	331	246	1,164
												IFF	100	89	402

Graduation speaker: The graduation speaker is Maj. Gen. Allan Poulin, Vice Commander, Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command, Robins AFB, Ga.

Track Select

2nd Lt. Adam Asaro	T-1
2nd Lt. Andrew Becker	T-1
2nd Lt. Lawrence Bullock	T-1
2nd Lt. Benjamin Candebat	T-1
2nd Lt. Brian Eddy	T-1
2nd Lt. Dorothy Ellis	T-1
2nd Lt. Daniel Garrison	HELO
2nd Lt. William Goss	T-1
2nd Lt. Craig Gulledge	T-44
2nd Lt. Bartholomew Ingallina	T-38
2nd Lt. Casey Jones	T-38
2nd Lt. Robert Kamber	T-1
2nd Lt. Daniel Kartchner	T-1
2nd Lt. Nathan King	T-44
2nd Lt. Allan LaBonte	T-44
2nd Lt. Richard McAtee	T-1
2nd Lt. Christopher Odell	T-1
2nd Lt. Matthew Palmer	T-1
2nd Lt. Matthew Parker	T-1
2nd Lt. Dallas Shearer	T-1
2nd Lt. Harrison Sumerall	T-44
2nd Lt. Adam Wallace	T-1
2nd Lt. Hiroki Yano	T-38



Leverette Award
2nd Lt. Casey Jones

T-38 Top Guns

Instrument: 2nd Lt. Craig Gulledge

Formation: 2nd Lt. Casey Jones

Contact: Richard McAtee

09-10

A safety reminder for the holiday season

14th Flying Training Wing Safety Office

November marks the beginning of the holiday season, which typically spans from Thanksgiving through New Year's Day. The holiday travel season begins this week as many of us plan to travel and visit family and friends. Good planning and execution are paramount in this joyous time of year, lest it become a time of year forever associated with tragedy! Here are just a few reminders; if you are traveling on the roads to visit friends and family, please ensure you are adequately

rested and have allowed enough time to accomplish your travel safely. If you are hosting a holiday party for friends and relatives, ensure they have designated drivers or be prepared to put them up for the night. Make sure you cook the turkey properly and handle all of those finger foods and rich fattening snacks in the manner appropriate for the food type. Enjoy this time, return to work rested and prepare for the challenges which are inevitable as we push on toward the New Year. Above all else, live richly, laugh heartily and love deeply!

Complete your Air Force Climate Survey

General Norton Schwartz has asked that everyone who received the Air Force Climate Survey complete the survey with candid inputs. The survey runs through Nov. 26 and gives Air Force senior leaders a snapshot of the climate in our Air Force today. It only takes approximately 20 minutes to complete so please get it done in a timely manner.

Pinnacle-Hunt Thanksgiving Dinner

The Landing's at Columbus cordially invites all of their residents to attend a free Thanksgiving dinner Monday or Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Columbus Club. This is Pinnacle's way of showing appreciation to their residents. The menu will include turkey, ham, stuffing, pies and many other Thanksgiving dinner staples. Please come out and enjoy a delightful meal on Pinnacle!

14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED

As of press time, 25 **BLAZE TEAM** members are deployed worldwide. Remember to support the Airmen and their families while they are away.



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BLAZE team attends 40th annual ATA Convention

1st Lt. Ryan Oppedal
48th Flying Training Squadron

Forty one BLAZE team members traveled to Southern California last weekend for the 40th annual Airlift/Tanker Association National Convention. The convention was held at the Anaheim Convention Center and brought Air Force members from all over the world together to learn what is going on in the mobility community. The Columbus AFB contingent attended briefings ranging from career development to U.S. Air Force efforts to rebuild the fledgling Iraqi Air Force to a look back on the Berlin Airlift and how it made history. The convention concluded with a banquet in which award winners from all over the Air Force were recognized for their heroic deeds and hard work in extending America's Global Reach. The banquet consisted of nearly 4,000 people and enough general officers to make up 273 stars.

This year, BLAZE team members from outside the airlift and tanker community were invited to attend the convention. Captain Chris Palmer, 14th Operational Support Squadron, is a Columbus AFB T-38 Instructor Pilot with a follow-on assignment to fly a fighter weapon system. He went to the convention to get a better understanding of how the airlift and tanker community operates.

Captain Palmer said, "It was an eye-opening experience and I think I will be able to take the lessons learned here to understand better what the guys in the mobility community are doing."

In addition to the convention activities, the Columbus AFB group participated



Colonel Jeff Dunn, 14th Flying Training Wing vice commander, poses for a group photo with 40 other BLAZE Team members at the Anaheim Convention Center in southern California where they attended the 40th annual Airlift/Tanker Association National Convention.

U.S. Air Force photo

ed in a ninety minute mentoring session with Gen. Steven Lorenz, Air Education and Training Command commander. Covering topics from leadership development to the future of the rated force to UAS operations, General Lorenz shared his vision for the command and the vital role that leaders, like those from Columbus AFB, play in developing cre-

ative solutions to the challenges facing the Air Force.

"It was a great opportunity to hear straight from our four-star commander his vision of what it means to serve and lead in the 21st Century Air Force," commented Col. Jeff Dunn, 14th Flying Training Wing vice commander.

The Columbus contingent returned

home with a much better understanding of what is currently going on in the mobility community as well as what they can expect in the future. This convention was a unique opportunity for the junior members to hear first-hand from the Air Force's seniors leaders the direction the Air Force is headed and how they fit into the big picture.

GROUND BREAKING

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Energy and Environmental Design, or LEED certifiable, making use of natural light, automatic light sensors and low-flow water fixtures.

Phase two of the building is scheduled to be completed in February 2010, providing an additional 18,000 square feet of office space. The completion of phase one provides over 35,000 square feet to the 14th MSG. The finished facility will occupy 53,200 square feet.

The new complex will move all customer service functions to one space, reducing the base's building footprint and meeting the Air Force mandate to reduce space and cost. The architecture of the building is also part of the 2030 plan to reflect some of the southern themes common in the area.

Columbus AFB's newest building shows the commitment of the Air Force towards energy saving and cost reduction initiatives.



Send Silver Wings your favorite Thanksgiving recipe

Please e-mail your favorite, original Thanksgiving recipes to silverwings@columbus.af.mil for next week's feature in Silver Wings. We will select the most delectable recipes to publish to help families plan their Thanksgiving dinner spread! Please have them in by noon Wednesday so we can decide which ones to use.

Spouses invited to military working dog demonstration

There will be a military working dog demonstration along with a tour of the kennels and a firearms simulation Nov. 20 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Military Working Dog Kennels. Spouses and children are welcome! To RSVP or for more information, call 434-5167.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Glass bottles can be pulverized and used in cement, roads, marbles and decorative floor tile.
- Five PET bottles yield enough fiber for one extra large t-shirt, one square foot of carpet or enough fiber to fill one ski jacket.

A message from the commander on the CFC campaign

I would like to extend my personal gratitude for making this year's Combined Federal Campaign a tremendous success. We met the BLAZE Team goal of 100 percent members contacted, a tribute to the hard-working CFC keyworker team. Your collective efforts helped the wing raise nearly \$99,000 or 124 percent of our target! Especially during these uncertain economic times, your generosity speaks volumes for the compassion of our BLAZE Team members. Thank you for your continued dedicated service and sacrifice. I am proud to have each of you on our BLAZE team at the base of choice in the command of choice.



COLONEL ROGER WATKINS
14th Flying Training Wing Commander



America Recycles Day: It all comes back to you

14th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Flight

Nov. 15 is designated as America Recycles Day. The purpose of America Recycles Day is to continue to promote the social, environmental and economic benefits of recycling and encourage more people to join the movement toward creating a better natural environment. Celebrating its 11th year, it has grown to include millions of Americans pledging to increase their recycling habits at home and work and to buy products made with recycled materials.

It is estimated the average American discards 4.6 pounds of garbage every day, including recyclable materials such as aluminum, cardboard, plastic and glass bottles. In 2001, Columbus AFB implemented a mandatory recycling policy. The Columbus AFB facility recycles everything from mixed paper (white, colored, phone books, magazines, sticky notes), steel/aluminum cans, glass, plastic bottles, cardboard, toner cartridges, batteries, fluorescent light bulbs and yard waste. To date, we have successfully recycled over 18,000 tons.

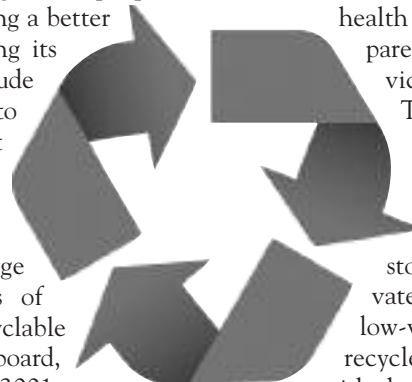
It's not only about recycling; purchasing "green" products also help preserve our natural resources. Federal agencies are directed by federal laws, regula-

tions and executive orders to make purchasing decisions with the environment in mind. In 1993, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency created the Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Program to help federal officials meet these requirements. Environmentally preferable means "products or services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human

health and the environment when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose.

The Air Force describes this as "Green Procurement" and Columbus AFB has implemented a very rigorous green procurement program. The base service store, One Store Solutions, was renovated with recycled-content carpet and low-volatile paint and stocks over 100 recycled-content products for purchase with the GPC.

Nov. 21, Columbus AFB will celebrate America Recycles Day in conjunction with the Fitness Center Fun Run. Representatives from the 14th Civil Engineer Squadron Natural Resources Element will be distributing recycling information, free water bottles and t-shirts before and after the race. Feel free to join us between 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. even if you are not participating in the Fun Run or stop by One Store Solutions for a first-hand look at the recycled-content product. For more information contact Renee Howell, 14th CES, at 434-7146.



Veteran's Day



Courtesy photo

Airmen 1st Class Christopher Jenkins, 14th Comptroller-Contracting Squadron (Provisional), Airman 1st Class Siddharth Sunny, 14th Force Support Squadron, Airman 1st Class Kristine Lessman, 14th Medical Operations Squadron, Airman 1st Class Jonathan Baskerville, 14th Communications Squadron, present the colors Saturday in downtown Columbus for the Veteran's Day parade. These four, along with the bugler, 1st Lt. James Schmidt, 14th Operations Support Squadron, represented Columbus AFB proudly.

White's Wedding



U.S. Air Force photo by Airman Josh Harbin

Senior Airman Michael White, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron, and his wife, Laura, ride atop a Columbus AFB fire truck driven by Senior Master Sgt. Russell Eidenschink, 14th CES Superintendent, immediately following their wedding ceremony Nov. 9 at the Fire Department.

Yellow Ribbon program helps welcome troops, families 'home' after deployment

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. — Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command has a new office charged with ensuring deploying reservists and their families are well taken care of.

The Office of Deployment Cycle Support manages the command's Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program.

"The program helps Airmen and their families face the challenges of deployment," said Col. Mary Hill, DCS director. "It provides the family with information about the many programs and services that are available to help them and it addresses issues and concerns that families face when reintegrating back to their home communities."

Colonel Hill and Master Sgt. Juliet Alonso are the only two people currently assigned full time. They work closely with the command's Integrated Delivery System team and local IDS teams to implement the Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program throughout the command.

Yellow Ribbon is a congressionally legislated directive that dictates that "deployment support and reintegration programs shall be provided for National Guard and Reserve members and their families. ... to minimize to the extent practicable the stresses of military service, particularly the stress of deployment and family separation."

The program stipulates that deployment support and reintegration programs are provided in all phases of deployment: pre-deployment, deployment, demobilization and post-deployment and reconstitution.

"Most of our bases already do a good job of taking care of their people," Colonel Hill said. "But the nature of reserve service makes it possible for some people to fall through the cracks.

"We want to make sure that

all reservists and their family members are taken care of during all steps of the deployment process," she said.

Her office will provide policy guidance, collect data on support events offered at AFRC units, identify best practices, standardize support requirements and train and support wings in meeting program requirements.

Colonel Hill currently works closely with three Air Force Reserve locations that have post-deployment events scheduled between now and January 2009. Those locations include the 507th Air Refueling Wing at Tinker AFB, Okla., which recently welcomed back 155 security forces troops.

One provision of the Department of Defense program requires National Guard and Reserve components to hold reintegration activities at 30-, 60- and 90-day intervals after demobilization or the end of a deployment for all members who were mobilized or deployed for 90 days or more. The law goes on to state that reservists must receive appropriate pay and allowances for attending these deployment support and reintegration activities and that family members also should attend the events.

"This is one aspect of Yellow Ribbon that has been a bit of a stumbling block," Colonel Hill said. "Officials are still debating which family members should be included at these events and how their attendance will be funded.

"While there are still some details being worked out, the bottom line is that we are asking an awful lot of our reservists these days," she said. "We owe it to them to make sure they and their families are taken care of. That's what Yellow Ribbon is all about." (Air Force Reserve Command News Service)

Airman volunteers as boy's 'instructor pilot'

Capt. Gabe Johnson
Special to American Forces
Press Service

TUCSON, Ariz. — A little boy from Flagstaff, Ariz., touched the lives of guardsmen at the 162nd Fighter Wing here last year when he visited the wing to be a fighter pilot for a day, and he continues to inspire unit members to this day.

At the age of 6, Dominic Magne underwent aggressive chemotherapy in his battle with acute lymphomatic leukemia. In a weakened state, he visited the wing April 17, 2007, to fulfill his dream to become an F-16 Fighting Falcon pilot.

Lt. Col. Scott "Rhino" Reinhold volunteered to be Dominic's "instructor pilot" — showing him the airplanes, simulators and fighter pilot gear. For the first-grader, the visit concluded with an honorary commission as a second lieutenant in the Arizona Air National Guard and status as a pilot; but that was just the beginning.

"When we heard about Dominic, we wanted to make a lasting bond — not just create an overwhelming experience and then say, 'Good luck with the rest of your life,'" Colonel Reinhold said.

He visits Dominic about once every three months in Flagstaff, Phoenix or Tucson. Between visits, Dominic gets e-mails from Colonel Reinhold and counts the days until the next reunion.

Their last visit was Oct. 30 for a day spent at the Phoenix Zoo. Dominic's health had noticeably improved since he first came to the wing 18 months ago, and his concentrated treatments had shifted to once-a-week infusions at Phoenix Children's Hospital.

"When [the guardsmen] first met him, he was in relapse and he had just started an intensive treatment program," said Susan Magne, Dominic's grandmother. "You saw him at his worst. It gets better as it goes along, and it becomes maintenance, like he's in now. He's doing good. Things are pretty steady healthwise. But until he's done with treatment in April, we won't know if he's in remission."

She added that Dominic, now a second-grader, is full of energy. He's active in school and church, and he recently joined the Cub Scouts.

"It was something he wanted to try," she said. "Dominic even wants to play soccer someday. He keeps me busy."

She credits Dominic's experience at the 162nd as an important event in his recovery.

"He remembers it, because his [flight] suit is hanging on the wall with all of the pictures, and his helmet is on his bookcase. He remembers the time he spent with Scott the most, because that was one-on-one time," the boy's grandmother said. "He enjoys Scott. He doesn't have a lot of male attachment, and having Scott around has been really important, because he relies on him for a good influence."



U.S. Air Force photo/Capt. Gabe Johnson
Lt. Col. Scott Reinhold, then a major, puts the 162nd Fighter Wing patch on 6-year-old Dominic Magne's flight suit during the boy's visit to the Arizona Air National Guard unit April 17, 2007.

In March, Dominic made a second visit to the 162nd. Colonel Reinhold took him to the F-16 simulator again, they watched take offs and landings from the ramp, and Dominic stayed the night with Colonel Reinhold's family. Colonel Reinhold even showed up for a show-and-tell at Dominic's school.

"It amazes me that you have continued to do this," Susan Magne told Colonel Reinhold during their trip to the zoo. "Most guys would say, 'Well I've got a family, I'm busy.'"

As a father of three, Colonel Reinhold said, he knows it's relationships that make all the difference. He has a 14-year-old daughter, an 11-year-old son and a 6-year-old son.

"I don't want my kids to think that this is a special effort that I'm making here with Dominic," he said. "I want them to see this as a normal part of life. If we could all find one person in need, emotional or physical, and make a commitment to befriend them, how much better would everything be?"

"They see that when I go see my buddy Dominic he's a friend that I've made a commitment to," he said. "Not just a one-day commitment, but a long one — maybe a lifetime."

Inspired by Dominic and his friendship with Colonel Reinhold, the men and women of the 162nd Fighter Wing are organizing a toy drive for children at Phoenix Children's Hospital.

American Indian Heritage

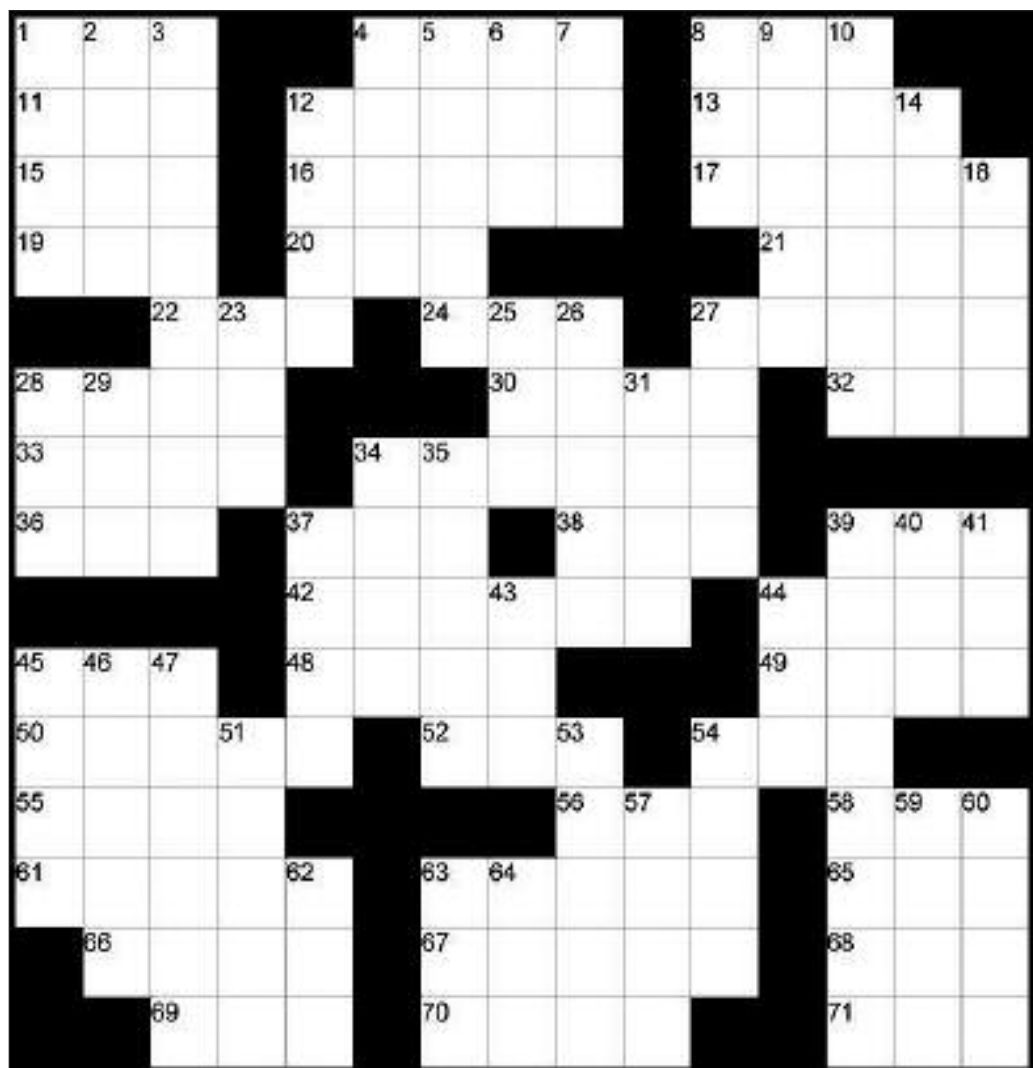
Capt. Tony Wickman
USAFE Public Affairs









- ACROSS
1. Mildenhall or Lakenheath starter
4. Wound reminder
8. Ask for
11. Epoch
12. Soothes
13. Singles
15. Each
16. Cmdr. Ernest ____; American Indian MoH recipient during WWII
17. On _ Of Triumph: The Golden Age of Norman Corwin; 2005 Oscar winner
19. Paddle
20. Dancing with the Stars judge Goodman
21. Russian range
22. Cause pain, uneasiness, or trouble to
24. Precious stone
27. 2002 M. Night Shyamalan film
28. Runs
30. Head
32. ____ out a living
33. Graduate
34. Sgt Roy ____; American Indian MoH recipient during WWII
36. Still
37. Beer holder
38. QB stat
39. U.S. spy org.

42. Capt Raymond ____; American Indian MoH recipient during Korean War
44. Call to hail another ship
45. Carpet
48. Away from the wind
49. Tree type
50. ____ Allen; Revolutionary War hero
52. Greek letter
54. Snakelike fish
55. Messy person
56. Genetic material
58. Father
61. Muslim man's place for concubines
63. Mexican goodbye
65. NY Giant Manning
66. Box
67. PFC John ____; American Indian MoH recipient during WWII
68. Director Howard
69. Ambulance worker, in brief
70. Hint
71. Observe

- DOWN
1. Take back for non-payment
2. Region
3. First 4-star US Navy admiral
4. Rescue
5. Blast
6. USAFE E-2
7. File format suitable for real-time info downloading, in brief
8. Constrictor
9. Listlessness and dissatisfaction; boredom
10. PFC Charles ____;

- American Indian MoH recipient during Korea
12. Prisoner's home
14. Reeked
18. Otherwise
23. Distinctive doctrine, system, or theory
25. USAFE appraisal for enlisted personnel
26. Hollywood bombshell Van Doren
27. Ordered or forced to go
28. American Indian actor ____ Silverheels; famous as Tonto
29. Bullring cheer
31. Broadway award
34. Cure
35. Concur
37. Genghis ____; Mongol ruler
39. 2LT Ernest ____; American Indian MoH recipient during WWII
40. Charged particle
41. Vote in favor
43. Animal doc
44. Primate
45. Fine lacework
46. Book of maps
47. Jim ____; American Indian football and Olympic icon
51. At right angles to the fore-and-aft line
53. French goodbye
54. Relieve
57. Smelling tool?
59. Lotion ingredient
60. Ate a meal
62. A-Team member
63. Circle part
64. Shannon who sang Runaway



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SMSgt			A1C			CMSgt	
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			MSgt				TSgt
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	MSgt				SSgt		
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RANKS

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat/Sun
17 Pennacle Thanksgiving Dinner 7 p.m. @ Club; Names A-L	18 Newcomers Meeting 8 a.m., @ Phillips Auditorium Pennacle Thanksgiving Dinner 7 p.m. @ Club; Names M-Z	19 OSC Social 6:30 p.m. @ Club	20 Dormsgiving 5 p.m. @ Chapel Annex	21 Save a Life Briefing 8 a.m. & 1 p.m. @ Hanger 3; Mandatory ages under 26 Wing Safety Briefing 8 a.m. & 1 p.m. @ Kaye Auditorium; Mandatory ages over 26 Enlisted Promotions 3:30 p.m. @ Club 09-03 Assignment Night 5 p.m. @ Club	22/23
24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Holiday	28 AETC Family Day, CAFB Closed	29/30

Long Term Events

- Dec. 1 - Wing Christmas Tree Lighting
Dec. 3 - Heart Link

- Dec. 8 - Base Cookie Drive
Dec. 12 - 09-03 Graduation
Dec. 15-16 - AETC/CC Visit
Dec. 18 - CONS-CPTS (P) Change of Command

We all play a vital role in SUPT

Col. David Reth

14th Operations Group Commander

This morning, Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training class 09-02 walked across the stage in Kaye Auditorium and received their coveted silver pilot wings, culminating a year of hard work and starting the next phase in their training to become mission-ready pilots in the Air Force or for our international allies. While there will be a few hundred guests, family, supervisors, friends and instructors in the auditorium to support them, each and every member of the BLAZE team shares in their accomplishment today.

The mission of the 14th Flying Training Wing is to build the world's best leaders, warriors and professional military pilots. All three groups that make up the wing, operations, medical and mission support have important parts of the mission they are responsible for. In turn, each squadron, section and work center have missions which support the bigger picture and eventually cascade down to every member's own role. But do you understand and appreciate how you, individually, contribute to that student pilot who walked the stage today?

The product of our mission is the graduates who walk

across the stage and receive their pilot's wings. Training pilots is what our wing mission is about, but that does not make the pilots themselves more important than any other part of the BLAZE team. Unfortunately, the farther from the student you are, the more difficult it can be to see the connection between your work and the end result. If anyone thinks that just because they don't sit in the aircraft and fly with the student, they've lost that important connection. It's critical to search out and understand that contribution in order to keep your focus on the mission. When someone comes to you for some administrative support and is provided accurate information which efficiently resolves the problem on the first visit, that prompt service directly contributes to the training mission by allowing that BLAZE team



member to return to work. When the weather shop provides a more accurate forecast and gets it to the flying supervisors at the right time in the decision process, they allow them to optimize the flight profiles and provide better training that day.

Do you provide fuel to the flight line, making sure no sortie is delayed or cancelled due to the aircraft not being refueled in time for the next flight? Or maybe you provide quality medical care to our military, contractors or their

dependents and answer their concerns, not only keeping them healthy but also letting them put their minds back to task. Did you respond quickly to fix a radio that fails at the flying operations desk or air traffic control tower, repair an air conditioning unit the first time which fails in an important work center or provide critical contracting support for many of the other services which keep the base running? These and every other job throughout the wing, if done efficiently and skillfully, result in that pilot walking across the graduation stage being even better than they would have been if the entire BLAZE team had not done such a great job.

When we get down to it, it's not the airplane you fly, the uniform you wear or the Air Force specialty you have that measures your value to the Columbus AFB mission, or to the Air Force. It's not what you do, but rather how well you do it. Every military member, civilian employee and contractor on the BLAZE team holds a critical role in training the graduate who walked the stage today. If you haven't been to a graduation to see the results of your hard work, I invite you to come by the next graduation or to make time for one in the future. You'll be proud of what you've accomplished when you see those silver wings pinned on the graduate's uniform because you'll know you had an important part in their success.

Focus on the Air Force's top priorities

Chief Master Sgt. Rudy Tingelhoff
437th Airlift Wing

CHARLESTON AIR FORCE BASE, S.C. — As the holiday season approaches, Airmen should remain focused on the Air Force's top priorities.

We should partner with the joint and coalition teams to win today's fight. We must be responsive to warfighter needs. We must proactively adapt to the changing air, space, cyberspace and global battlefield requirements and provide the most timely and accurate support. Right now, more than 33,000 Airmen are deployed across the globe, nearly 28,000 in the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility, where U.S. aircraft are operating out of 11 bases and Airmen are operating out of 63 bases.

We must remain exceptionally disciplined by being exceptionally trained Airmen with a warrior spirit, having a

professional attitude with a readiness to the fight while led by the finest officers and NCOs. We always should be mindful of the mission and our professional growth and take care of our families. We win today's fight through superior leadership, unwavering discipline, effective communication and second-to-none training.

Leadership is simple; it is all about people. Nothing is more important than leading our people and developing them into leaders. We must invest time in our people and inspire them to achieve what they think is unreachable. We must motivate and develop them to be capable of leading and dealing with uncertainties confidently. We must empower subordinates to reach greater heights.

Discipline is a key component to successful units. Discipline starts through the internalization of the Air Force core values. These values embody the ideas of

our nation and the expectations of the American people. Exceptional Airmen do what's right the first time and always remain attentive to the fact that their character and behavior have implications beyond themselves.

Professionals communicate with discipline. Keys to communication are openness, honesty, dignity, consideration and respect for others. Answer telephone calls with your rank and name, speak clearly, deliberately and with purpose. When calling, always identify yourself to those who answer. Although these procedures are fundamental, they are frequently overlooked.

Training must be tough, relevant and timely. Mission success depends on Airmen being confident, competent and exceptionally prepared — ready at all times for the fight.

We need to develop and care for Airmen and their families. Airmen are

the foundation, and taking care of them is instrumental to mission readiness. Leaders ensure that basic needs of Airmen are taken into account. Tough training and technical preparedness, upgrade training, physical fitness, professional military education, professional development and creating an environment that allows all Airmen to seek their full potential and professional growth are vital aspects of taking care of Airmen. We must be willing to invest time to ensure our inbound Airmen's personal needs are satisfied to expedite integration into training and operations. We must troubleshoot our Airmen's problems with family readiness programs, medical and dental care, finances and childcare. We must guide and advise so our Airmen can focus on any mission, anytime, anywhere and can effectively prepare for upcoming deployments.

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T-1A Jayhawk



Capt. Clinton Warner
Grapevine, Texas
F-15E, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.



1st Lt. Jeffrey Haddin
Muncie, Ind.
RC-12, TBD



1st Lt. Mohd Faizul Mat Supri
Selama, Malaysia

SUPT Class 09-02 earns silver wings

Twenty- six officers have prevailed during a year of training, earning the right to be an Air Force pilot.

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 09-02 graduates at 10 a.m. today during a ceremony at the Kaye Auditorium.

The graduation speaker is Maj. Gen. Allan Poulin, Vice Commander, Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command, Robins AFB, Ga. He is responsible for the daily operations of the command, which employs about 76,100 Citizen Airmen and consists of more than 370 aircraft among three numbered air forces, 36 wings, three flying groups, one space group and 620 mission support units.

Students receive their silver pilot's wings at the ceremony, and students who excelled in their respective training tracks are recognized.

Captain Clinton Warner, T-38, and 2nd Lt. Logan Ventre, T-1, received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy for being the most outstanding students overall in their classes.

The Air Force Association Award was presented to 2nd Lt. Jonathan Hudgins, T-38, and 2nd Lt. Dan Phillips, T-1. The award is presented to a graduate in each flight who excelled in training and typified the tenets of the association — promoting aerospace power and a strong national defense.

Captain Warner, T-38, 2nd Lt. Zachary Spencer, T-1, and 2nd Lt. Ventre, T-1, were named distinguished graduates.

The 52-week pilot training program begins with a six-week preflight phase of academics and physiological training to prepare students for flight.

The second phase, primary training, is conducted in the twin-

engine, subsonic T-37 Tweet. Some complete this phase in the single-engine, turboprop T-6A Texan 2 at Moody AFB, Ga. Students learn aircraft flight characteristics, emergency procedures, takeoff and landing procedures, aerobatics and formation flying. Students also practice night, instrument and cross country navigation flying.

Primary training takes about 23 weeks and includes 254.4 hours of ground training, 27.3 hours in the flight simulator and 89 flying hours.

After primary training, students select, by order of merit, advanced training in the fighter-bomber or air-lift-tanker track.

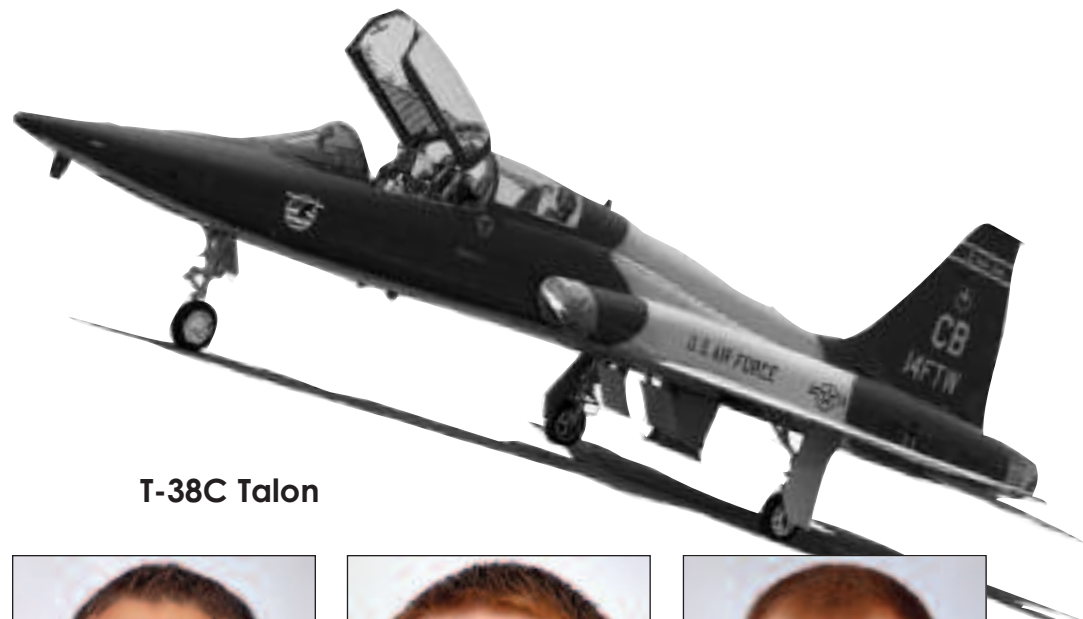
Both tracks are designed to best train pilots for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft and mission.

Advanced training for the fighter track is done in the T-38 Talon, a tandem-seat, twin-engine supersonic jet. T-38 training emphasizes formation, advanced aerobatics and navigation. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 381 hours of ground events, 31.6 hours in the flight simulator and 118.7 flying hours.

The airlift-tanker track uses the T-1A Jayhawk, the military version of a multi-place business jet.

Instruction centers on crew coordination and management, instrument training, cross-country flying and simulated refueling and airdrop missions. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground training, 43 hours in the flight simulator and 104 flying hours.

The class reunites on graduation day, when students receive the aeronautical rating of pilot and begin their careers as U.S. Air Force pilots. (Editor's note: The class's pilot partners are Mr. and Mrs. Ken Kennedy and Floyd McIntyre, Columbus Kiwanis Club.)



T-38C Talon



1st Lt. Gregory Show
Yucca Valley, Calif.
KC-10, Travis AFB, Calif.



2nd Lt. Jordan Alexander
Greenfield, Ind.
E-3, Tinker AFB, Okla.



2nd Lt. Daniel Carlson
Asheville, N.C.
UAS, Creech AFB, Nev.



2nd Lt. James Carlson
Duluth, Ga. (ANG)
F-16, Montgomery, Ala.



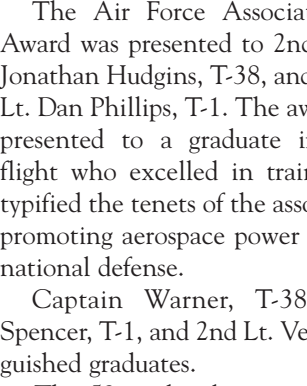
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Warrior, Ala. (ANG)
KC-135, Birmingham ANGB, Ala.



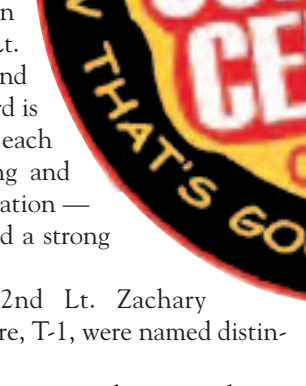
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Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (AFRC)
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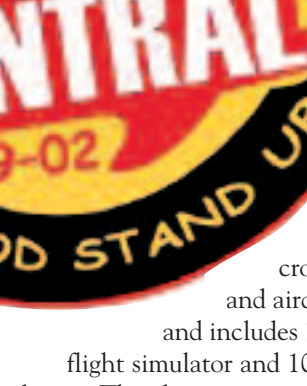
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C-5, Stewart ANGB, N.Y.



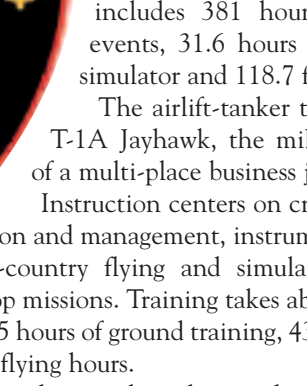
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Myerstown, Penn.
C-17, Hickam AFB, Hawaii



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UAS, Creech AFB, Nev.



2nd Lt. Nicholas Sochinski
Jefferson City, Mo.
UAS, Creech AFB, Nev.



2nd Lt. Zachary Spencer
Rantoul, Ill.
C-17, McGuire AFB, N.J.



2nd Lt. Tariq Tehseen
Abbottabad, Pakistan



2nd Lt. Chad Thompson
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Germantown, Tenn. (AFRC)
C-130, Pope AFB, N.C.



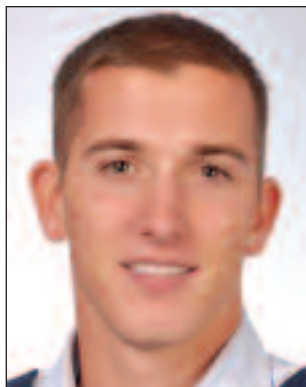
2nd Lt. Zachary Krueger
Watertown, Wis.
T-6, Columbus AFB, Miss.



2nd Lt. Tandon Mardis
Fayetteville, N.C.
T-1, Columbus AFB, Miss.



2nd Lt. Reagan Mullin
Gadsden, Ala.
NSA, Cannon AFB, N.M.



2nd Lt. Daniel Ouper
Aurora, Ill.
KC-135, McConnell AFB, Kan.



2nd Lt. Dan Phillips
Myerstown, Penn.
C-17, Hickam AFB, Hawaii



2nd Lt. Allan Poulin
West Palm Beach, Fla. (AFRC)
MC-130, Duke Field, Fla.



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Golf, Bowling pro shops ready for Christmas

Jana Hall

14th Force Support Squadron

Do you have a golfer or a bowler on your holiday shopping list? If so, the pro shops at the Columbus AFB golf course and Bowling Center can help you find the perfect present.

The pro shop at Whispering Pines Golf Course has a selection of equipment and accessories in stock including putters, utility clubs, bags, balls, caps, men's logo wicking shirts and other accessories. Golf Course Director Ricky Magers said he is ready to liquidate his current inventory to make room for a new order coming in early 2009.

"Come in and talk to me about what kind of special deal we can give you on our in-stock items," Magers said, "If we don't have what you are looking for, we can order it for you."

Special orders made at the golf pro shop are tax free and competitive with the best prices you can find on the internet or in town, Magers said. Shoppers need to get their orders made no later than Nov. 30 to ensure delivery by Christmas.

"Or if the golfer on your list already has the gear he or she may need, a few pre-paid rounds or even monthly or yearly membership would be a great gift," said Magers.

While the pro shop at Strike Zone Lanes does not have in-house inventory, shoppers can place special orders for bowl-

ing equipment and accessories for any level of bowler.

Nic Roos said, Community Services Chief, "Just like at the golf course, special orders at the Strike Zone are tax free and the prices are competitive or better than what you'll find anywhere else."

All special orders at the Bowling Center should be made by Dec. 12 for turnaround in time for Christmas. Gift certificates for games, the snack bar or merchandise are also available and the bowling pro shop, said Roos.

For additional information, drop by either pro shop or call Whispering Pines at 434-7932 or the Bowling Center at 434-3426.

Holiday season offers variety of programs for families

Football Sundays

The Columbus Club opens their doors for the pro football games Sundays starting at noon. Wings are 50 cents and beverage specials are available. The bar menu will also be available. Watch the big games on the big screens available. For more info, call 434-2490.

Christmas Party Reservations

The Columbus Club has openings for Christmas parties Dec. 4 and Dec. 14 to Dec. 18. Call 434-2490 for reservations. The Services Complex is available Dec. 5 to 6, Dec. 12, and Dec. 19 to 20. Call the Youth Center at 434-2504 for reservations.

Casino Trip

The Information, Ticket and Tour Office offers this trip the first Friday of every month. The next trip is Nov. 7. Cost is \$20 per person and includes transportation and \$25 in bonus bets. The bus leaves at 6 p.m. from the BX parking lot and leaves Philadelphia at 1 a.m. If you or your group plans to go, call 434-2505 with the number in your party.

Texas Hold'em Tournament

The Columbus Club is offering a Texas Hold'em tournament Nov. 8. Register by Thursday by calling 434-2490 or by e-mail to: nicole.droney@columbus.af.mil. Open to members, nonmembers and their bona fide guests. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. and the games begin at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 for club members and \$10 for nonmembers and includes heavy hors d'oeuvres. Late sign-ups will be placed on a waiting list.

Kids' Crafts to Go

The Arts and Crafts Center offers a kid's craft pack ready for your child's crafting fun at home. You provide home materials such as glue, markers and scissors and we provide everything else. November and December craft packages are \$3 each and include tree of thanks, reindeer bucket, Santa stop here door hanger, stocking door hanger, Mom's Christmas gift and Dad's Christmas gift. For more information, call 434-7836.

Champagne Sunday Brunch

The Columbus Club is offering a Sunday Brunch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 16. Cost is \$14.95 for club members and \$17.95 for nonmembers. Children, ages 6-12, are \$7.50 for club members and \$9 for nonmembers. Children 5 and under eat free. The menu includes oven roasted turkey, London boil au jus, maple glazed carrots, cornbread dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, deluxe salad bar, omelet bar, waffle station, pasta station, ham carving station with potato salad, deviled eggs, rolls, all your favorite breakfast items, fruit tray, cheese platter, assorted cakes, pies and cheesecake. Reservations must be made by Nov. 13. For more information, call 434-2490.

Home Decor Workshop

Today is the last day to register for the workshop to make an upholstered parson's chair at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 14 at the Arts and Crafts Center. Cost is \$30 plus 54" decorator fabric. For more information, call 434-7836.

Holiday Hours

The following recreational activities will be open Tuesday:

Golf course from 8 a.m. to dusk

Bowling Center from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Fitness Center from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

All other recreational activities will be closed for the Veterans Day holiday.

Saints Football Trip

The Information, Ticket and Tour office offers a trip Dec. 6 to 7 to New Orleans, La. to watch the New Orleans Saints play the Atlanta Falcons. Cost is \$165 per person and includes transportation, lodging (double occupancy), ticket to the game and breakfast. Reservations required by Nov. 21. Must have 20 registered to offer trip. For more information, call 434-7861.

Skiing Trip

Only 14 people may register for this trip to Ober Gatlinburg, Jan. 17 to 19. Cost is \$235 per person and includes transportation, two meals, chalet lodging for two nights, lift tickets, lessons and rentals. Deadline to register is

Dec. 17. A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required when registering and full payment required by Jan. 10. Call the Information, Ticket and Travel office at 434-7861 for more information.

Christmas Yard Decorations

Be the envy of your neighborhood with your own Santa, reindeer and sleigh for your lawn. Place your order by Nov. 15 and have your ready-to-paint set by Nov. 30. Cost is \$25 for Santa, \$50 for the sleigh and \$35 for a set of two reindeer or \$100 for the whole set. All items are made from 1/2-inch plywood. For more information, call the arts and crafts center at 434-7836.

Family, Teen Talent Contest

The Youth Center is hosting this program Dec. 4 at Kaye Auditorium. Showtime is 6:30 p.m. Deadline for registering is Nov. 20 at the youth center. The Youth Center invites moms, dads, brothers and sisters to sing, dance and perform together in this family-oriented event. Contestants can enter in one of several categories: parent and child team, husband and wife team, children, ages 3 to 5, ages 6 to 8, preteen solos and groups, ages 9 to 12; teen solos and group, ages 13 to 15 and ages 16 to 18 and family. For more information, call 434-2504.

Breakfast with Santa

The Youth Center and Child Development Center offers this program from 8 to 10 a.m. Dec. 13 at the Youth Center. Register by Dec. 8. Cost is \$3 per person and includes breakfast, children's pictures with Santa, games, prizes and more fun. In addition, parents may fill out a clothing request form for free children's clothing, while supplies last. Sizes available are from infant to size 14. Pick up a Clothing Request form from the Youth Center or Child Development Center and turn in by Dec. 8 at those activities. For more information, call 434-2504 or 434-2479.

Holiday Camps

The Youth Center offers a holiday camp

for school age children from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 24 to Nov. 26 and Dec. 22 to Dec. 31. Cost is based on total family income. Limited space is available so register early. For more information, call 434-2504.

Audition for Tops in Blue

Active duty military may submit an application and video showcasing their talent to the Air Force Worldwide Talent Contest scheduled for Jan. 11 to 19 at Lackland AFB, Texas. Deadline for submitting applications is Dec. 2. In addition to the normal performing talent acts like vocalists and instrumentalists, technicians of all types and drivers are also encouraged to apply. For more information, log on to www.topsinblue.com or call (210) 652-6566 or DSN 487-6566.

Blaze Lunch Bunch

at the Columbus Club

Every Wednesday During Lunch

All plates come with one meat, two sides, roll or cornbread, tea or water
\$6.25 for club members
\$7.25 for nonmembers

This week's menu: ***Meat choices:***

Fried Chicken, Shepherd's Pie
& Fried Catfish Basket

Sides:

Macaroni & Cheese, Cole Slaw, Turnip Greens, Sauteed Cabbage and Side Salad with Ranch Dressing

Lunch Bunch Special - \$6.95

Caesar Salad topped with Seasoned Croutons, Shredded Parmesan Cheese, and Your Choice of Grilled Chicken Breast or Tuna Steak

Desserts: \$2.95 each

Red Velvet Cake, Key Lime Pie
& Chocolate Chip Cookies Ala Mode

Base News

Military Spouse Tuition Discount

Columbus AFB military spouses who enroll in Saint Leo University for the 2008-2009 academic year will receive a third course free when signing up for two courses! Contact Dew White at 434-8844 or visit her in the Personnel Bldg., Room 120 for more information.

Homeschoolers

The School Liaison Office would like to "team" with the Columbus AFB homeschooling community. If you would like to be included in the dialogue and assist with making the homeschooling experience the absolute best it can be, please contact the School Liaison Office at 434-2792 or via email at slo@columbus.af.mil.

Saint Leo University CAFB Adjunct Faculty Openings

Saint Leo University is seeking adjunct faculty in Business, Criminal Justice, and Psychology to teach undergraduate classes on Columbus AFB. Complete information is available at www.saintleo.edu/jobs. Please call Dew White, Center Director at 434-8844 for more information.

New Finance Office Hours

Effective immediately, the Columbus AFB disbursing area's (located in the Finance office) operating hours will be Tuesdays and Fridays from noon to 4 p.m. Urgent requirements will be serviced as required by contacting 1st Lt. Shirrisha Peake at 434-2678 or Ellen Staples at 434-2708.

Holiday Cookie Drive

It's time once again to turn our thoughts to the upcoming holidays and the opportunity to provide all our single and unaccompanied personnel with home-baked goods. Each squadron is asked to donate at least 35 dozen cookies or any other baked goods. Cookies should be packed in a formed, disposable container which does not need to be returned. Cookie donations will begin at 6:30 a.m. at the Columbus Club Dec. 8. For more information or to volunteer, please call Susan Dunn at 434-7869.

Supply Customer

If you are looking for that special piece of equipment or furniture for your office, your point of contact is the Inspection Section of Base Supply. Inspection maintains the Last Look Area, which has used equipment and furniture turned in from other organizations that no longer have a need for the items. All items in the Last Look Area are available without charge to your organization. For more information, you can contact the Inspection Section at 434-7233 or 434-7234.

Catholic Parish Coordinator

The position for the Catholic Parish Coordinator is now available for bid at the Columbus AFB Chapel. Applicants must show a proven familiarity with the requirements of the whole spectrum of Catholic programming and comply with the Statement of Work. A Statement of Work is available for your review and may be picked up from Tech. Sgt. Floyd Recto in the Chapel office Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Resumes and bid sheets must be submitted to the chapel office by 4:30 p.m. Nov. 28. Interviews will be conducted Dec. 1 and Dec. 2 during normal business hours. The contract will be awarded on the basis of best value to the government. The Contractor will be required to have a background check. For more information, please call Senior Airman Free at 434-2500.

DRMO

Authorized personnel may retrieve property that is marked for DRMO Facilities only if they are still physically located in Base Supply. For more information, call 434-7233 to review the property or call Stock Control Section at 434-7179 or 434-7198. To check for authorization and Demand Processing Section, call 434-7178 to order the property. All other DRMO processing is done via the Web at www.drms.dla.mil.

Zero Overpricing Program-Incentive Awards

Overpricing is an issue everyone should be working. All personnel are encouraged to participate, and will be rewarded for any tangible savings resulting from their price challenge. Monetary awards will be given in accordance with AFI 38-401, The Air Force Innovative Development Employee Awareness Program. Advice and guidance are available by calling the Customer Service element of Base Supply, located in Building 158, at 434-7178.

Airman and Family Readiness Center

(Editor's note: All activities are offered at the Airman & Family Readiness Center unless otherwise specified. For more information about any of the activities listed, call 434-2790 or email afrc@columbus.af.mil.)

Pre-Deployment Brief

There is a mandatory briefing for active duty personnel who are deploying or going on a remote tour. The brief is held every work day at 9 a.m. Spouses are welcome to attend.

Post-Deployment Brief

This mandatory briefing is for active duty personnel who are returning from deployment or a remote tour are held daily at 1:30 p.m. at the A&FRC. For more information, call 434-2790.

Preseparation Counseling

This mandatory briefing for personnel separating or retiring to be completed at

least 90 days prior to separation is held daily at 8:30 a.m. May complete up to 12 months prior to separation or retirement. This briefing takes approximately 30 minutes. For more information, call 434-2839 or 434-2790.

Job Skills Identification Workshop

This event will be held Nov. 12 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. The workshop will assist individuals to identify their job skills and match skills to an employer. For more information, call 434-2790.

Microsoft PowerPoint Workshop

This workshop will be held Nov. 12 through Nov. 19 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. meeting for two weeks. Advance registration required. Call 434-2790 for more information.

Microsoft Published Workshop

This workshop will be held Nov. 12 through Nov. 19 from 4:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. meeting for two weeks. Advance registration required. Call 434-2790 for more information.

Wing Newcomers










This briefing will be held Nov. 18 at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. This brief is for all active duty and civilian personnel new to Columbus AFB. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Call 434-2790 for more information.

Military Family Month Celebration, AFRC Open House, Art Contest

This event will be held at the Nov. 19 from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. art contest will be held for three age groups: grades: K-4, 5-8, and 9-12. Art forms maybe picked up at the AFRC. Contest winners will be determined by random drawing from each group and will

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK

(Current weeks puzzle on page 6)

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be awarded a \$25 prize. Stop by for refreshments and the drawings for the poster contest at 3 p.m. Call 434-2790 for more information.

Lunch, Learn Handling Stress During Holidays

Are the holidays sometimes too much for you to handle? Bring your lunch, eat and learn how to handle stress during the holidays Nov. 21 from 11 a.m. to noon. Call 434-2790 for more information.

Microsoft Excel

This workshop will be held at the Airman & Family Readiness Center starting Nov. 24 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The class will meets Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for two weeks ending Dec 3. You will learn how to create and manage excel spreadsheets, enter data and create formulas. There is no cost and open to active duty, retirees, NAF, civil service, family members or contractors. Advance registration is required. Call 434-2790 for more information.

Chapel Schedule

Protestant

Sunday: 9 a.m. — Adult Sunday School
10:45 a.m. — Traditional
Worship Service (Children's Church)

All are invited to a fellowship luncheon following the 10:45 a.m. service the fourth Sunday of each month

Mt. Vernon Church

The Columbus AFB Mt. Vernon contemporary service is held every Sunday at 7 p.m. in the Base Chapel.

Catholic

Thursday
5 p.m. — Choir Practice

Sunday:
3:45 p.m. — Choir Practice
4:30 p.m. — Confession
5:00 p.m. — Mass



Howlin' at the Moon: This event will be held tomorrow at the Waverly Waters resort on Old Waverly Road, West Point, Miss. Gates open at noon and tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the gate. Children under 12 get in free. For campers, the cost is \$5 per person and \$5 per cooler. No coolers or pets are allowed in the show area. For more information, call 434-1800.

Mississippi State Ice Hockey: Mississippi State University will compete against the Loyola Wolf Pack tonight at 7 p.m. and tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. at the Bancorp South Arena in Tupelo. Tickets will be sold at the door, \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and military. Children under three years of age are free. Public skating with the team will be before the game from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. tonight and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. tomorrow.

"Squabbles", A Two-Act Dinner Theatre: Itawamba Community College Division of Fine Arts presents "Squabbles", a dinner theatre in two acts by Marshall Karp. The performance will

take place in the banquet rooms of the Student Services Building on the Fulton campus. Dinner is served nightly Nov. 18 through Nov. 20 at 6 p.m. and the show begins at 7:30 p.m. "Squabbles" takes a realistic view at aging, according to director Cy Williams. Cast members include Andrew Strutzman of Amory, Tyler Mc Laurin of Slatillo, Andrew Stanford of Mooreville, Jennifer Harper of Smithville, Eric Soderstrom of Tupelo, Emily Patterson of Mooreville and Lindsey Clark of Fulton. Student director is Andrew Stanford. Tickets are \$12.50 each which includes the meal and show. Reservations can be made weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. by calling 862-8205 beginning Nov. 3. Prior payment for reserved tickets ensures preferred seating. Credit cards can be used for phone reservations. For more information contact Cy Williams at 862-8309.

For more information about local area events, e-mail AFRC@columbus.af.mil or call the Airman and Family Readiness Center at 434-2790.

Servicemembers saluted



Courtesy photo

Master Sgt. Robin Brooks meets Drew Carey during a "Salute to the Military" filming of "The Price is Right" Sept. 10 in Burbank, Calif. The show aired Nov. 11. Sergeant Brooks is the first sergeant for the Air Force Air Demonstration Squadron, the Thunderbirds, from Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.

Sports Shorts

Thursday Golf Scrambles: Golf scrambles start every Thursday at 4:45 p.m. Cost is \$5 plus greens fees. Open to all levels of golfers. For more information, call 434-7932.

Fitness Classes: The Fitness Center offers fitness classes. Spin classes are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays beginning at 7 a.m. Cardio kick boxing classes are Mondays and Wednesdays at 5 p.m. and aerobics is offered Saturdays at 9 a.m. For more information, call the Fitness Center at 434-2772.

Summer Lunch, Bowl Special: Receive two free games of bowling from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with the purchase of a combo meal during lunch.

Cosmic Bowling: Cosmic bowling is every Friday and Saturday from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Cost is \$2 per game. The night is complete with black lights, loud music, strobe lights and bowling!

Intramural Flag Football Scores

Game 1:

14th CES	Win by forfeit	48th Team 1	7	L
14th MDG	Forfeit	41st FTS	14	W

Game 2:

Game 3:

48th Team 2	18	W
RAPCON	6	L

Commander's Cup Golf Challenge



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Colonel Roger Watkins, 14th Flying Wing commander, tees off during the Commanders Cup Golf Challenge at the Whispering Pines Golf Course on Columbus AFB. The tournament consisted of teams of four which were put together by squadron, group or wing-level commanders. Lt. Col. Peter Ridilla, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron commander, won the tournament with his team.

Falcons soar over Rams in 38-17 win

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U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — Turnovers and a tough Air Force defense proved to be too much for Colorado State University as the Falcons soared to a 38-17 win over the Rams at Falcon Stadium in Colorado, Nov. 8, advancing their record to 8-2 overall.

Colorado struck first scoring on a 1-yard run by CSU senior Gatrell Johnson topping off a 8-play, 62-yard drive. Jason Smith scored the extra point, leaving the Falcons down 7-0.

Air Force answered back with Freshman quarterback Tim Jefferson passing to Ty Paffett for a 53-yard reception during an 8-play, 80-yard scoring drive. Sophomore Kyle Lumpkin drove into the endzone on a 4-yard run with 6:43 remaining in the first quarter. Ryan Harrison secured the extra point tying the score 7-7.

"We made a few big plays, and that helps," said Air Force Head Coach Troy Calhoun. "I think we had some gains that were larger than 10, we haven't had a whole lot of those recently."

Freshman tailback Asher Clark scored after taking a fourth-and-short conversion attempt 41 yards for a Falcon touchdown. Following the extra point by Harrison, the Falcons led at the end of the quarter 14-7.

On the opening drive of the second quarter, the Falcons were forced to punt, giving up some momentum to the

Rams. Colorado then marched down the field rewarding themselves with a 4-yard pass from Billy Farris to junior wide receiver Dion Morton. Smith tied the game with his extra point, tying the score at 14.

Air Force's Jefferson wasted no time regaining the lead for the Falcons with a 74-yard pass, the longest by the Falcons this season, to Kyle Halderman on the return play. Halderman set a career high 99 yards in receiving with his two receptions. Harrison scored the extra point, putting the Falcons on top again 21-14.

Rams showed their might, marching down the field on a 16-play drive but were forced to attempt a field goal after a delay-of-game penalty on a fourth-down conversion attempt. Smith's 23-yard field goal, brought the Rams to within four points at the end of the first half.

In the second half, Colorado, proving they were not ready to give up, went for a fourth-down conversion, following a penalty, securing a first-down on a 23-yard reception by Rams junior Rashaun Greer. However three plays later, Falcon sophomore Reggie Rembert intercepted Farris to give Air Force the ball on their own 20. Clark ended the series with a career-best run of 45 yards and a career-high 136 yards rushing total to give the Air Force some breathing room. Harrison's field goal gave the Falcons a 28-17 lead.

Quarterback Billy Farris was picked off for a second time by Ken Lamendola, his first, in the following series leaving the Air Force with the ball on the Rams' 26-yard line. Two plays later Jefferson found tight-end Travis Dekker in the

end-zone for a 4-yard, touchdown reception. Harrison's extra point would hold the lead at 35-17 through the end of the third quarter.

"We just kind of fell apart there a little bit in the third quarter," said Colorado State Head Coach Steve Fairchild. "We made some bad decisions, we missed a couple of things protection wise, and ended up turning the ball over a couple of times and that's all it took for this thing to get out of hand."

"I give Air Force credit, Troy did a nice job. They played very well and they deserve this victory," Fairchild said.

Air Force was shutdown on Colorado's 10-yard line with 12:24 remaining after the opening drive of the fourth quarter. Harrison's 27-yard field goal attempt put the Falcons up 38-17 and extended the streak of points scored in consecutive quarters to 18. Harrison also set a new Air Force single-season record with 20 field goals.

"You look over the last five weeks and you find different ways to win, and what we've been able to do is keep a glue," Coach Calhoun said, whose five game winning streak is the most since the 2003 team opened the season 5-0.

Colorado was unable to make anything happen and had to punt after just four plays. Air Force ground the clock down for 14 plays and 70 yards before time expired broadening the Falcon's Mountain West Conference winning streak to a school record four games leaving them 5-1 in the conference.

Colorado State's record sinks to 4-6 going 2-4 in the MWC.